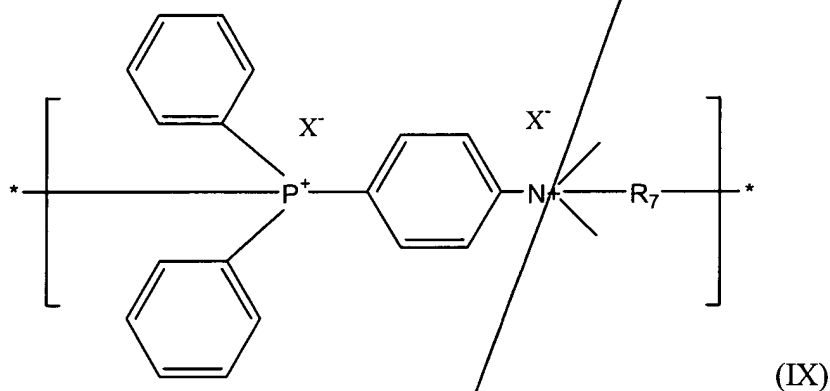


In the Claims

Please amend Claim(s) 12, 13 and 38. Amendments to the claims are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (pages i-iii).

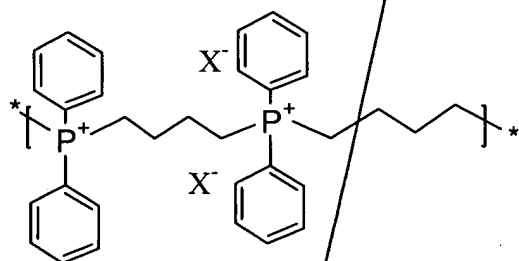
12. (Amended) The polymer or copolymer of Claim 11, wherein the polymer or copolymer is characterized by repeat units of the formula:



wherein R_7 is a substituted or unsubstituted lower alkylene group having from 1 to about 24 carbon atoms and each X^- , separately or taken together, is a physiologically acceptable anion.

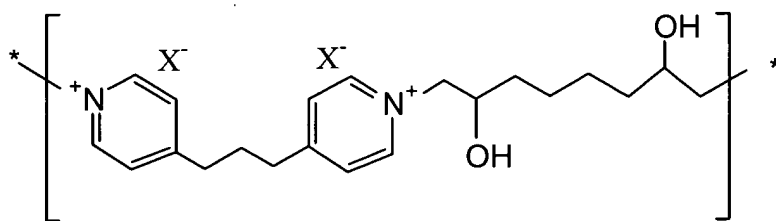
13. (Amended) The polymer or copolymer of Claim 11 wherein the polymer or copolymer is characterized by repeat units of formula X or XI:

(X)



(XI).

38. (Amended) The polymer or copolymer of Claim 36 wherein the polymer or copolymer is characterized by repeat units of formula XVI or XVII:



(XVI)

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